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MONTANA LABOR MARKET

Monthly Review of
EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK, LABOR SUPPLY, LABOR DEMAND, CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

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Employment in November 6,000 Above Year Ago

Estimates of 152,400 Montana industrial employment at mid-November reflect a 2,100 decrease from the revised October figures but were more than 6,000 above the level of a year ago and 3,000 greater than during the previously high record November of 1948. Seasonal reductions of force in outdoor activities, many of them to the extent of shutdown of operations, are responsible for the November decline from October and follow the usual pattern as winter begins.

Previous Estimates Revised

Complete revision of estimates for the preceding 18 months has been prepared by the Commission in co-operation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U. S. Department of Labor. This represents the annual readjustment on the basis of more complete reports. Full data on the revisions are being prepared for issuance immediately following this issue of the Montana Labor Market.

October Aligned With New Series

October's employment was pared 3,400 from the estimates published a month ago, in line with the new series which disclosed distorting factors in the earlier estimates. The decreases in October were distributed into nearly all principal industrial classifications, ranging from 800 in wholesale and retail trade to practically no change in finance and real estate.

Construction Dips 1,000 in Month

The November estimates are also prepared in the light of the new series. Shrinkage of 500 in manufacturing is accounted for by seasonal decline in lumber and timber products, and in food processing. Mining held even with its October level, while contract construction dipped a full 1,000. Interstate railroads were 200 below the October employment, probably due to curtailment of track crews.

All four of these major industrial classes show marked gains from the figures for November, 1949. Manufacturing registers a 900 gain in the year; mining is up 900, due to the steady expansion of employment in the metal mines; contract construction employed 2,300 more this year than a year ago; and the transportation group added 1,400.

Retail Trade Crews Grow

Wholesale trade employment sagged a negligible 200 from October, but is 800 below the figures for a year ago, probably due to mobilization and armament competition for manpower. Retail trade, on the contrary, shows a slight gain from October and is 300 ahead of November, 1949.

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HEAVY NOVEMBER LAYOFFS IN INDUSTRY ARE LESS IN EXTENT THAN YEAR AGO

Impact of the normal seasonal decline in employment, particularly on out-door projects, was felt at all Montana labor markets during early November, continuing throughout the balance of the month. Extent of the lay-offs was less, numerically, than a year ago; paradoxically, the weather conditions were definitely more severe this November than a year ago.

Affects Nearly All Outdoor Activities

Force reductions occurred in all forms of construction activity except inside finishing work, which is continuing with vigor in most areas. There were complete layoffs on many highway projects, a number of logging outfits and sawmills, and most railway maintenance extra gangs. Partial layoffs affected employment on the two government dams by about 50 per cent; temporary layoffs are reported from many other outdoor activities. The Christmas tree harvest will end early in December, idling another large group. In line with normal seasonal experience the process of releasing employees in affected activities will continue through December and well into January.

Sugar Refining Season Ends Early

Early completing of beet harvest enabled sugar refining plants to end their seasonal runs at an earlier than normal date. Two or three have already released seasonal crews, the others will reach the same stage this month. Farm hiring decreased almost vertically during November, and at the same lay-offs of farm hands added materially to the available labor force in all agricultural areas of the state.

Marked Changes from October

Statistically, there were more new applications for work in November than in October, but fewer than in November of 1949. The same movement is noted in the total count of applicants seeking work at the end of the month. Placement of applicants in jobs in November was far behind the placements in October, but was more than a thousand ahead of November, 1949, placements.

By type of industry these hires went 840 to farm work, 770 to contract construction, 570 to wholesale and retail trade, 375 to manufacturing, 210 to service industries, and smaller numbers to other forms of activity.

Much Construction Continues

Construction employment is scheduled to continue through the winter on several security installations by federal authorities in the state, to a limited extent on two government dams, on several production plants which will lead to sizable and steady payrolls when completed, and on a larger than usual number of building projects which are at a stage permitting inside work through bad weather months.

Lumber Jobs Hinge on Prices

In the timber areas employment prospects for next spring hinge to some extent upon market developments during the winter season. A weaker lumber demand this fall hastened the shutdown date of some plants and increased the lay-off extent in others.

Demand for Miners Unabated

Continuing demand for hard-rock miners gives promise of increasing total employment in that industry through the winter and into next spring. Plans are announced for absorbing 1,000 more experienced miners between now and next May. Most of these recruits must come from outside the state, as the labor markets in Montana have been stripped of applicants available and qualified for this work.

More Winter Jobs at Hungry Horse

Employment on Hungry Horse dam was down to 520 the last of the month, exclusive of the 325 on reservoir clearing projects and government employees with the Bureau of Reclamation. While this is a substantial reduction from the 2,000 level of two months ago, it is still away higher than the 200 of winter employment a year ago. Winter work at the dam is concerned with the spillway tunnel and the powerhouse, actual pouring of cement ceased November 15 until spring.

Pouring Cement at Canyon Ferry

Canyon Ferry contractors are making a stern effort to continue cement pouring through the less severe periods of the winter, with the objective of raising the dam level above expected high water mark in the diversion flume next spring. This is intended to avert interference with the pouring schedule during the high water period. Employment at Canyon Ferry is around 200 now, probably will sustain about that level until spring permits its expansion. Hiring during the winter months will be measured by needed replacements.

Moderate Reduction on Highways

Employment on state highway construction projects and on maintenance

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Along the Hiring Line--- Field Summary Dec. 1

Anaconda—(Active file 139; 60 women, 36 veterans) Construction activity was choked off in November, only skilled workers retained, in line with normal seasonal curtailment. Smelter turnover decreased with adoption of six-day week. Farm workers returning from season afield fit in as new replacements are needed. Increased flow of transients, move on as no jobs available. Railroad shops at Deer Lodge to be enlarged, involves additional housing project, preliminaries not yet completed.

Billings—(Active file 846; 215 women, 229 veterans; 85 men, 51 women over 50) Farm demand declined with completion of harvest in early November; construction demand receded with advent of wintry weather; result is weakening of demand below the level of year ago. Common labor in surplus, skilled workers indifferent to present clearance openings, on account of wage offers. Sugar refinery will finish in late December, release 300 or more, many from adjacent areas.

Bozeman—(Active file 153; 77 women, 34 veterans) Most active outdoor jobs have shut down on account of weather; seasonal work completed. Further lay-off of 30 construction men expected. No new construction jobs in sight; four main projects on enclosed buildings will retain most of crews through winter. Agriculture has released 125 men for whom no demand is expected until March or April.

Butte—(Active file 491; 243 women, 62 veterans) Increased file of applicants results mostly from release of common labor by construction contractors; cement pouring has been discontinued. Four building projects, including new chemical plant, will continue present employment through all but most severe stretches of winter season. Miner recruitment continuing, openings for student miners halted until February. Present mining employment 6,200; expect to reach 6,800 in January and 7,200 in May. Moderate demand for holiday clerks.

Cut Bank—(Active file 59; 33 women, 8 veterans) Surplus of drillers and tool-dressers, sales and office clerks. Construction demand for labor and skills heavy in November, layoffs expected on account of severe weather. No demand for farm hands.

Dillon—(Active file 19; 7 women, 3 veterans) Several small mines in mountain sections difficult of winter access have released their crews. Construction jobs are nearing completion with small crews. Surplus of unskilled labor and ranch hands developing. No demands for livestock feeders until December.

Forsyth—(Active file 36; 18 women, 7 veterans) Building construction is continuing on five commercial and five residence structures. Strip mine operating with capacity crew and low turnover. Railroads whittling down their extra gangs; operating crews and regular maintenance unchanged. Beet harvest concluded, Indian workers returned to reservation. All but slight percentage of beet acreage harvested before ground froze.

Fort Benton—(Active file 25; 7 women, 7 veterans) Most outside work closed down by November 15, seasonal. Small surplus of farm and unskilled labor, the first time since last April. Demand will be at low ebb through winter.

Glasgow—(Active file 137; 51 women, 33 veterans) Construction work hampered by adverse November weather, but still employing more workers than year ago. Road and street construction closed for the winter; government installations at Fort Peck and Opheim continuing, demand all filled except for carpenters.

Glendive—(Active file 70; 29 women, 7 veterans) Demand for unskilled labor ceased in November and surplus of applicants developing. Four railroad extra gangs laid off and farm employment reduced on seasonal basis as cold weather arrived. Need carpenters and auto mechanics. Clerical and sales demand heavier in November than for preceding six months, mostly on permanent job basis.

Great Falls — (Active file 536; 212 women, 122 veterans) Reduction of activities in construction and agriculture with advent of wintry weather resulted in heavy seasonal lay-offs. Outside construction down completely for six days, but two large buildings and 38 new residences started during month. Service worker employment affected by general seasonal break. Surplus of unskilled applicants, farm hands, and service workers; construction skills now in balance.

Hamilton—(Active file 228; 85 women, 76 veterans; 77 men, 22 women over 50) Normal seasonal shutdowns, when acute November weather was encountered. One large logging contract completed, releasing 30 woodsmen, two larger mills and one small one closed for the season. Construction of bridge and laboratory additions continues, labor demand all supplied. Most residential construction discontinued, some on account of weather, others because of material or credit stringencies.

Havre—(Active file 95; 34 women, 28 veterans) Most of the construction, excepting one large project, closed with adverse weather early in November. The one exception will continue regardless of weather. The sugar refinery at Chinook has completed its season run and released about 200 employees. Labor supply sufficient, surplus in unskilled, about normal for this season of the year; employment outlook materially better than a year ago.

Helena—(Active file 253; 92 women, 68 veterans) Outdoor construction work and farming employment ceased with advent of severe weather in November, with partial recovery later in the month. Some building crews continued on inside work. Not much labor demand expected through winter season. Canyon Ferry contractors released 200 of their crew the 15th, resumed later and expect to retain about the same employment level through all but the most severe weather, when temporary layoffs will occur.

Kalispell—(Active file 740; 189 women, 208 veterans) Closing of some small logging outfits in commercial timber, and release of more than half the October employment on Hungry Horse clearing and construction has flooded the Flathead labor market, and created a substantial exodus to other areas. Christmas tree harvest continuing into December, will release several hundred more into a labor market which already has surplus in nearly all categories. Aluminum plant construction is expected to begin in December; no substantial demands on the labor supply until spring. Hungry Horse employment is now reported at 850, of whom 520 are on the dam itself and the rest on clearing, reclamation, and road items. Concrete pouring will not resume until March or April.

Lewistown—(Active file 100; 27 women, 27 veterans) Labor supply is increasing on normal seasonal pattern, as agriculture, construction, utilities and manufacturing release or reduce their crews.

Libby—(Active file 51; 26 women, 12 veterans; 6 men, 5 women over 50) Labor demand slumped with snow and low temperatures in November, some smaller logging outfits have reduced crews, with more lay-offs coming; construction work is curtailed, only enclosed jobs are continuing.

Livingston—(Active file 234; 104 women, 49 veterans) Employment on construction of a school building at Gardiner and a business block in Livingston, numbering 30 to 40 workers, is continuing,

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Services Employ More Than Year Ago

Services of hotels, rooming houses, camps, personal services, automobile repair and hand trades employed on a slightly lower level than October and about 600 above that of last November. Employment by federal, state and local governments held nearly even with the preceding month and was 500 above that of November, 1949.

Dam Employment Lower in November

On a percentage basis the largest November employment decrease in comparison with the previous month occurred in that of general contractors, such as the dams at Hungry Horse and Canyon Ferry. Building construction took a tumble only slightly less severe. In both instances the prevalence of relatively severe winter weather is ascribed as the immediate cause. Most of those activities, along with timber work, operation of camps, railroad track work, and other outdoor jobs, begin to curtail in November and continue the process into December and January.

FOUR YEARS OF MONTANA INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT TOTALS, BY MONTHS (in Thousands)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1947	127.8	127.6	128.6	130.6	134.8	138.0	142.0	142.0	141.0	141.6	141.2	141.7
1948	134.4	132.0	133.2	137.1	140.6	145.8	148.9	150.3	151.4	149.6	149.4	147.7
1949	137.1	135.5	137.7	144.0	147.3	151.0	150.0	150.1	149.8	148.2	146.1	143.3
1950	133.2	132.2	135.2	142.1	147.3	153.6	154.4	155.9	156.8	154.5	152.4	?

Along the Hiring Line---

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other projects closed up until open weather returns. Extra gangs have been laid off by the railroad and some train crews released; shops hiring for replacements only. Trade employment slow in November, may expand in December.

Malta—(Active file 43; 17 women, 8 veterans) Construction projects closed with advent of cold weather in early November. Some part-scale resumption later in month. Local workers employed in other areas on construction are returning here for the winter, after seasonal termination of their jobs.

Miles City—(Active file 115; 35 women, 31 veterans; 12 men, 7 women over 50) Railroad track work suspended for the winter; some train crews laid off, with heavy farm shipments completed. Transient labor has almost disappeared. Building construction active, two projects nearing completion. Several building jobs now enclosed, will keep most of crews employed through the winter. No idle carpenters.

Missoula—(Active file 440; 196 women, 105 veterans) Seasonal shutdown in outdoor industries has released 300 to 400 workers. Skilled men moving to points where winter work on armament program is available, some waiting until after holidays to move. Sugar refinery finished run in late November, released 200, many of them from other areas. Trade employment steady, not increasing on normal holiday scale.

Polson—(Active file 164; 35 women, 28 veterans) Reduction of force at Hungry Horse felt as Polson workers return; some migration to coast in progress. Rumor of addition of power unit at Kerr dam, and prospect of construction work at aluminum plant north of Flathead lake, temporarily restrains out-migration. Labor demand expected to be light in December.

Red Lodge—(Active file 70; 27 women, 18 veterans) Road and building activities closed, idling 50 to 100 employees, no hiring in prospect for three months. Coal mines operating full crews at three to five days a week.

Shelby—(Active file 46; 12 women, 8 veterans) Road and building work curtailed; some inside construction work will employ building skills; carpenters in short supply. Several road projects will continue until more severe weather.

Sidney—(Active file 98; 27 women, 18 veterans) Labor supply increasing steadily because of seasonal layoffs and completions. Unskilled, farm labor, clerical and sales applicants predominate. Building trade skills scarce, also garage mechanics. Some migration to armament plants. More lay-offs expected late in December, at which time the sugar refinery will also release about 200.

Thompson Falls—(Active file 106; 20 women, 27 veterans) Lumbering employment dropped from its peak in October to mid-winter level in November. One large sawmill already closed; another laid off one shift, will close entirely in December. Resumption not expected until April.

Wolf Point—(Active file 55; 12 women, 15 veterans) Agricultural season finished, most workers laid off. Building projects about to cease in face of unfavorable weather. Released workers mostly leaving area for winter employment.

ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT IN NON-AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES IN MONTANA (1)

(Produced in co-operation with United States Bureau of Labor Statistics)

INDUSTRY	Employment in Thousands			% Change (4)	
	Nov. 1950 (2)	Oct. 1950 (3)	Nov. 1949 (3)	Oct. 50 to Nov. 50	Nov. 49 to Nov. 50
Total nonagricultural industries	152.4	154.5	146.1	—1.4	4.3
Total manufacturing	20.0	20.5	19.1	—2.2	4.9
Durable goods	11.3	11.6	10.7	—2.4	6.2
Lumber and timber products	6.2	6.5	5.6	—5.0	10.2
Primary metals	4.1	4.0	4.0	2.2	3.3
Other (5)	1.9	1.1	1.1	4.1	3.5
Nondurable goods	8.7	8.9	8.4	—2.0	3.2
Food and kindred products	5.5	5.7	5.3	—2.9	4.6
Printing and publishing	1.5	1.5	1.4	0.3	3.5
Other (6)	1.7	1.7	1.7	—0.9	—1.0
Total mining	10.1	10.1	9.2	—0.2	9.1
Metal mining	7.7	7.7	6.7	0.0	14.8
Bituminous and soft coal mining	.7	.7	.8	0.3	—16.9
Petroleum-natural gas production	1.2	1.2	1.2	2.0	2.1
Quarrying and nonmetallic mining	.5	.5	.5	0.2	2.5
Contract construction	12.8	13.8	10.5	—7.6	22.0
Contractors, building construction	4.5	4.8	4.1	—8.2	8.8
Contractors, other than building	5.1	5.7	3.4	—10.7	50.1
Contractors, special trade	3.3	3.3	3.0	—1.7	8.5
Total transportation and utilities	22.8	23.0	21.4	—1.0	6.3
Interstate railroads	14.4	14.6	13.6	—1.2	5.8
Transportation except railroads	3.6	3.6	3.2	—1.2	9.7
Utilities including communication	4.8	4.8	4.6	—0.2	5.3
Total Trade	36.5	36.6	37.0	—0.2	—1.2
Wholesale trade	7.5	7.7	8.3	—3.0	—9.8
Retail trade	29.0	28.9	28.7	0.6	1.3
General merchandise and apparel	6.0	5.8	6.3	2.8	—5.9
Food stores	4.0	4.0	3.7	0.5	8.3
Eating and drinking establishments	7.3	7.3	7.3	0.0	1.0
Automotive and filling stations	4.9	5.0	4.8	—0.4	2.7
Retail trade not elsewhere classified	6.8	6.8	6.6	0.0	3.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	3.9	3.9	3.7	—0.2	5.6
Total services and miscellaneous	18.8	19.0	18.2	—1.2	3.3
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, etc.	2.6	2.8	2.5	—8.1	3.0
Personal services	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	2.6
Other (7)	13.8	13.8	13.3	0.0	3.5
Government	27.5	27.6	27.0	—0.4	1.9
Federal (8)	7.1	7.1	7.0	0.0	1.4
State and local	20.4	20.5	20.0	—0.5	2.0

(1) Estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who worked or received pay during the pay period ending nearest the 15th of the month. Proprietors, firm members, personnel of the armed forces, domestic servants, and self-employed persons are excluded.
(2) Preliminary estimates based on partial return of selected sample of Montana employers.
(3) Figures previously released have been revised on the basis of more complete reports.
(4) Percent changes are based on actual rather than rounded figures.
(5) Includes fabricated metal products, machinery except electrical, furniture, stone and clay products.
(6) Includes apparel, chemicals, petroleum, and miscellaneous manufacturing products.
(7) Includes commercial trade schools, auto repair services and garages, miscellaneous repair services and hand trades, motion pictures, amusements and recreation, medical and health, law offices and professional services, nonprofit membership organizations and business not otherwise classified.
(8) Federal employment—first of the month.

Heavy November Layoffs

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work decreased 300 in November, mostly from reduction of contractor payrolls. The month's report shows 460 working on road contractor jobs and 730 on the highway commission maintenance crews. In October there were 720 and 750 respectively.

There were 97 miles of highway construction under way the first of December, ten bridges were in process of construction, and one stock-piling job was in progress. Work had been suspended on one bridge job and 13 road contracts, involving 117 miles of highway. Another 13 highway contracts had been awarded but work had not yet begun. These represent the backlog of highway employment prospects for next spring.

During November there were four road jobs completed, on 47 miles of highway; two bridge jobs and one overpass were completed.

COMPARISON OF BASIC LABOR MARKET TRANSACTIONS IN NOVEMBER 1950 AND NOVEMBER 1949

Employment Service Office	New Job Applicants				Jobseekers in File				Job Placements				Employer Visits		Job Openings		U. I. Claims WkEnd12-9	
	Nov. 1950		Nov. 1949		Nov. 1950		Nov. 1949		Nov. 1950		Nov. 1949							
	Tot.	Vet.	Tot.	Vet.	Tot.	Vet.	Tot.	Vet.	Tot.	Vet.	Tot.	Vet.	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949
Anaconda	73	27	126	20	139	36	213	37	30	18	6	3	103	48	57	8	103	157
Billings	378	118	322	112	846	229	808	232	379	111	517	142	61	43	295	319	329	551
Bozeman	144	30	107	32	153	34	185	53	328	83	195	77	132	108	254	174	44	150
Butte	208	48	296	52	491	62	886	197	388	110	158	50	87	76	499	164	383	792
Cut Bank	38	5	48	17	59	8	110	49	120	51	8	3	27	13	124	5	61	124
Dillon	9	1	25	9	19	3	44	12	33	15	52	21	15	51	20	37	22	43
Forsyth	19	4	14	4	36	7	27	6	25	10	56	20	37	29	23	55	28	19
Fort Benton	21	3	15	7	25	7	28	11	25	9	24	13	43	51	17	15	14	19
Glasgow	76	18	45	16	137	33	172	54	135	48	47	22	73	37	62	48	65	128
Glendive	44	6	49	3	70	7	52	4	61	20	18	2	38	27	41	7	29	69
Great Falls	238	68	323	115	536	122	692	261	300	99	245	117	142	90	261	123	441	594
Hamilton	54	18	78	12	228	76	249	51	74	31	53	21	144	72	54	37	168	197
Havre	76	23	76	21	95	28	159	44	132	54	105	38	82	70	52	64	116	145
Helena	161	50	193	80	253	68	317	96	311	177	91	30	98	71	332	73	237	281
Kalispell	243	54	335	113	740	208	743	234	215	98	216	81	93	103	253	319	805	1,141
Lewistown	66	16	53	10	100	27	130	24	39	14	76	27	16	51	33	83	64	87
Libby	20	8	25	5	51	12	115	41	25	5	5	1	10	6	22	7	59	181
Livingston	163	34	86	35	234	49	156	46	125	32	59	19	98	56	94	58	74	108
Malta	27	6	17	6	43	8	64	13	53	27	34	13	28	23	51	27	65	80
Miles City	75	26	114	41	115	31	162	43	151	52	114	39	54	40	87	82	94	165
Missoula	153	37	194	61	440	105	554	142	210	89	137	58	125	83	235	96	409	573
Polson	38	9	60	16	164	28	189	70	27	9	23	5	43	21	29	24	151	220
Red Lodge	33	6	36	17	70	18	102	35	21	4	32	15	27	21	11	32	78	89
Shelby	21	4	41	12	46	8	76	15	79	27	75	15	67	56	119	57	45	39
Sidney	58	10	53	17	98	18	103	28	222	20	114	35	100	89	57	78	82	102
Thomp. Falls	47	15	148	21	106	27	106	14	30	6	96	23	57	23	38	96	158	157
Wolf Point	30	9	65	11	55	15	109	25	30	14	20	10	37	21	20	21	31	96
Tchr. Plcmt	34	14	19	9	128	42	55	14	22	6	....	....	....	46	28	26	....	....
TOTALS	2,547	667	3,013	874	5,477	1,316	6,606	1,854	3,590	1,239	2,576	900	1,837	1,425	3,168	2,135	4,155	6,307

AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN SELECTED MONTANA INDUSTRIES

(Produced in cooperation with United States Bureau of Labor Statistics)
(Hours and earnings data exclude administrative and salaried personnel)

INDUSTRY	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Oct. 1950	Sept. 1950	Aug. 1950	Oct. 1950	Sept. 1950	Aug. 1950	Oct. 1950	Sept. 1950	Aug. 1950
All Manufacturing	$71.63	$69.61	$69.18	44.6	42.6	42.9	$1.61	$1.63	$1.61
Durable goods	76.45	74.49	73.55	45.2	44.6	44.7	1.69	1.67	1.64
Primary metals	69.46	59.04	59.22	43.6	39.4	40.4	1.59	1.50	1.47
Nondurable goods	66.53	62.07	61.90	44.0	39.7	40.0	1.51	1.57	1.55
Food and kindred products	56.24	54.37	54.51	42.4	41.0	40.9	1.33	1.33	1.33
All Mining	74.29	74.26	65.06	42.3	42.2	37.5	1.76	1.76	1.73
Metal mining	73.04	73.10	63.39	43.1	43.5	38.4	1.70	1.68	1.65
Transportation and Utilities (except railrds.)	65.60	66.47	63.41						
Transportation (except railrds.)	72.02	73.98	73.77						
Utilities and communication	59.85	59.37	58.91	40.6	39.3	40.9	1.48	1.51	1.44

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